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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 6, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please change the specification as follows:

On page 1, delete the 2nd full paragraph and insert therefor:

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Figure 41 is a perspective of a stator of a conventional automotive alternator such as described in Japanese Patent No. 2927288, for example, Figure 42 is a perspective showing a conductor segment used in the stator in Figure 41, and Figures 43 and 44 are perspectives from a front end and a rear end, respectively, of part of the stator in Figure 41.

Delete the paragraph bridging pages 5 and 6 and insert therefor:

a²
Japanese Patent Laid-Open No. HEI 9-103052 discloses a stator 400 in which winding groups formed in a straight shape are inserted into a straight-shaped base core in a slot depth